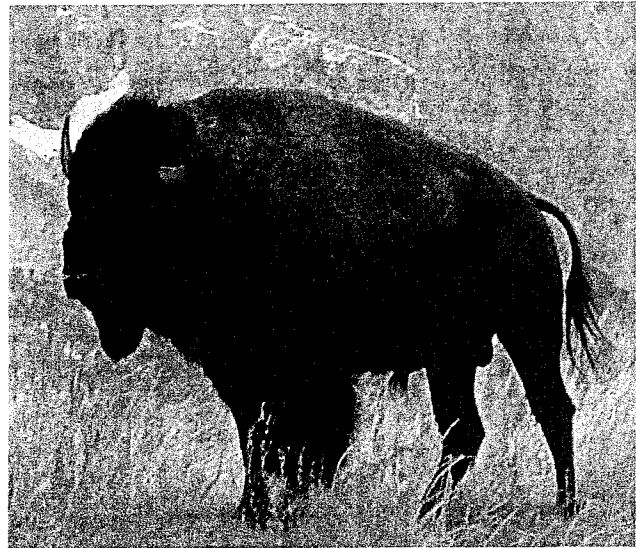


## Help restore wild buffalo as valued native wildlife in Montana

The Greater Yellowstone Region is home to America's largest, genetically pure and truly wild buffalo herd. Buffalo symbolize the natural and cultural heritage of Yellowstone country and the West. It is time Montana properly manage wild buffalo as valued, native wildlife. Join us in making a commitment to restoring and conserving wild buffalo in Montana while respecting and protecting private property rights.



**Montana Buffalo:** Landowners, businesses, hunters, outfitters, tribal members and other local conservationists are working with the Montana legislature to end years of wasteful and divisive wild buffalo slaughter. **HB 482** - The Montana Wild Buffalo Conservation and Management Act is a bi-partisan effort which respects and protects private property rights. The Act establishes a foundation upon which creative solutions and a new commitment to wild buffalo in Montana can be built. It will:

- 1) Recognize buffalo as "valued, native wildlife in the state of Montana."
- 2) Restore Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks as the primary agency responsible for wild bison management including fair chase, public hunting.
- 3) Ensure private property rights and livestock are protected, by maintaining cooperation with the Department of Livestock at MCA 81-2-121.
- 4) Repeal current law which allows the government to enter private property without landowner permission (MCA 81-2-120).

**How can you help?** Montana landowners, hunters, outfitters, conservationists, tribes and other local community members are coming together to ensure our elected officials know we want private property rights protected and wild buffalo respected as valued native Montana wildlife. Please let your local legislators know you support **HB 482** the Montana Wild Buffalo Conservation and Management Act by **calling 444-4800 today.**

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